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Staff Sgt. Steven Cook and Staff Sgt. Patric Latour, Patriot Honor Guard, help a boy scout fold an American flag. The Honor Guard members recently spent a few hours teaching the scouts, from Pack 77 located in Chelmsford, the proper way to fold the flag. The Patriot Honor Guard not only perform military funeral honors, but are also actively involved in community relations by performing in parades, posting the colors at community functions, and training the Waltham police department on proper techniques involved in marching and parades. If you are interested in learning more about the Honor Guard, contact Cook at 3-4850.

Units recognized for safety programs

by Airman 1st Class Theresa Ide
ESC Public Affairs

Two Hanscom organizations were recognized for their outstanding safety.

Hanscom's Aero Club was nominated for an Air Force-wide aero club safety certificate and the Safety Office was awarded the Air Force Materiel Command Outstanding Ground Safety Program Award (Category II.)

"The awards are designed to recognize individuals and organizations that have made a significant contribution to the overall effectiveness of the AFMC safety programs," said John Russell, AFMC chief of Ground Safety.

According to Russell, the competition this year was fierce with several candidates in each award category.

The Aero Club won their nomination for keeping an excellent safety record.

"We are very excited about our nomination as this will be the fourth consecutive year we've received a certificate of safety," said Isabelle V. Plante, manager and aviation safety counselor of the Hanscom Flight Training Center.

Plante explained that the center's success over the years was made through collaborative efforts of the staff, membership and management.

The Safety Office met the criteria for AFMC's Outstanding Ground Safety Program Award – for the second consecutive year.

This award is based on an organization's success in reducing mishaps both on and off duty, noteworthy efforts and activities in improving prevention programs and safety processes, occupational safety and health program evaluation results and safety support provided to the base populace,

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ESC manages improvements to NATO, RAF AWACS

by 1st Lt. David L. Englin
ESC Public Affairs

NATO and the United Kingdom's Royal Air Force recently celebrated the completion of ESC-managed improvements to their Airborne Warning and Control System aircraft that will allow the aircraft to better detect threats by seeing farther and more clearly.

Ceremonies on Dec. 10 at Geilenkirchen NATO Air Base, Germany, and on Dec. 15 at RAF Waddington in the United Kingdom marked the continued success of the Radar System Improvement Program.

Managed by the Airborne Warning and Control System program office here, RSIP is a cooperative effort to upgrade the performance and reliability of E-3 Sentry AWACS aircraft.

The goals of the \$1.2 billion RSIP program are to extend the range of AWACS detection and to improve the performance and reliability of AWACS radar systems, said Col. Peter L. Misuinas, director of international programs for the AWACS program office.

The NATO ceremony marked the completion of upgrades to its entire fleet of 17 E-3A Sentry AWACS aircraft, which make up the NATO Air-

borne Early Warning Force, the alliance's only standing force.

"We completed upgrading the NATO aircraft six months ahead of schedule," said Misuinas. "That's a real tribute to the hard work of the whole AWACS team."

At the Royal Air Force ceremony, Air Commodore Ray Dixon, RAF Waddington's commanding officer, accepted the keys to "UK 3," marking the completion of RSIP upgrades to three of the United Kingdom's seven-aircraft AWACS fleet.

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State of ESC tickets are still available

Don't worry. If you don't have a ticket for the annual State of Electronic Systems Center luncheon address by Lt. Gen. Leslie F. Kenne, ESC commander, there's still a little time.

Tickets for the luncheon, sponsored by the Lexington-Concord Chapter of the Armed Forces Communications and Electronics Association, cost \$20 for military and government civilians, and are available by calling Claire Goulet at (781) 221-1580, by close of business today.

The luncheon will be held Wednesday at the Burlington Marriott from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

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Straight Talk

Straight Talk provides two-way communication between the 66th Air Base Wing commander and people on base.

A 24 hour-a-day telephone line and E-mail account (STRAIGHT TALK) are set up as ways for Hanscom's population to submit questions, complaints or comments, anonymously, if desired. All concerns are personally reviewed by the wing commander.

However, the quickest and most efficient way to communicate comments or complaints is to go right to the source. To assist you, we've listed points of contact and telephone numbers for several key support organizations.

Also, don't forget your supervisor, commander or first sergeant. They're there to help you.

If you are not satisfied with the



Col. Chris T. Anzalone
66th Air Base Wing commander

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Road rage in uniform

Question: I was on the road yesterday at about 4 p.m. on Route 3 heading toward New Hampshire and the gentleman in the truck behind me had unbelievable road rage. We were all stopped — everybody had their brakes on — and he kept getting really close to my bumper, blowing his horn, screaming at everybody, banging his dashboard, and throwing his hands up out of the window. We were stuck in dead-stop traffic for about 10 minutes. It was unbelievable — he was in uniform and appeared to be active-duty military. I don't know if he had a bad day

at work or if this was normal for him, but it obviously made me and lots of other drivers very nervous. Could you please address this issue?

Response: Thank you for bringing this to my attention. "Road rage" is a serious safety issue, so I asked the Safety Office to address your question in the article below. We must each remember that we represent the Air Force and the U.S. military to our off-base neighbors; when one person in uniform behaves poorly, it makes us all look bad. In or out of uniform, we should each try to be good ambassadors for the Air Force.

Violent traffic accidents are on the rise. Know what to do when encountering or becoming an aggressive driver, avoid ...

Road rage

by Staff Sgt. Michael Trudeau
ESC Safety

Violent aggressive driving, also called road rage, has progressively increased during the 1990s, according to a study sponsored by the American Automobile Association Foundation for Traffic Safety.

In fact, reports of violent traffic incidents have increased nearly seven percent per year since 1990. And this is only the tip of a very large iceberg.

For every aggressive driving incident serious enough to result in a police report or newspaper article, there are thousands that never get reported.

So who are these aggressive drivers? These high-risk men and women climb into the anonymity of an automobile and take out their frustrations on anyone at any time.

For them the frustration levels are high and the level of concern for fellow motorists is low.

They run stop signs and red lights, speed, tailgate, weave in and out of traffic, pass on the right, make improper and unsafe lane changes, make hand and facial gestures, scream, honk and flash their lights.

They drive at excess speeds, which causes them to follow too closely, change lanes frequently and abruptly, pass on the shoulder or unpaved portions of the roadway, and leer at or threaten, both verbally or through gestures, motorists who happen to be in front of them.

Events that cause road rage are often trivial.

Some reported reasons for violent traffic disputes include argu-

ments over parking spaces, cutting another motorist off or refusing to allow passing, minor traffic crashes, obscene gestures, loud music, overuse of the horn, slow driving, tailgating or failure to use a turn signal.

For example, a teenager who murdered a passenger in another vehicle said, "We were dissed."

However, violent traffic disputes are rarely the result of a single incident, but are accumulated result of a series of stresses in the motorist's life.

The traffic incident that turns violent is often "the last straw."

How can you avoid becoming a victim of road rage?

Never underestimate the other driver's capacity for mayhem. Be patient and keep your cool in traffic. The best way to avoid being the target of an aggressive driver is to practice basic traffic courtesies.

The following are tips to avoid aggravating other drivers:

- Don't make obscene gestures
- Use your horn sparingly
- Don't block passing lanes
- Don't switch lanes without signaling
- Avoid blocking the right-hand turn lane
- Don't take more than one parking space
- If you are not disabled, don't park in a disabled space
- Don't allow your door to hit the car parked next to you
- Don't tailgate
- If you travel slowly, pull over and allow traffic to pass
- Avoid unnecessary use of high beam headlights
- Don't let the car phone distract you
- Don't stop in the road to talk with a pedestrian or other driver
- Don't inflict loud music on

neighboring cars

Having a good attitude when driving will also deter acts of road rage. Here are some tips on how to remain clam in situations:

- Assume other drivers' mistakes are not personal
- Be polite and courteous, even if the other driver isn't
- Avoid all conflict if possible. If another driver challenges you, take a deep breath and get out of the way.

Reducing possible stress factors by allowing plenty of time for a trip, listening to soothing music, improving the comfort in your vehicle or understanding that you can't control the traffic may also help you keep your cool when driving.

If all else fails, get help. If you believe the other driver is following you or is trying to start a fight, use a cellular phone to call the police, or drive to a place where there are people around, such as a police station, convenience store, shopping center or a hospital.

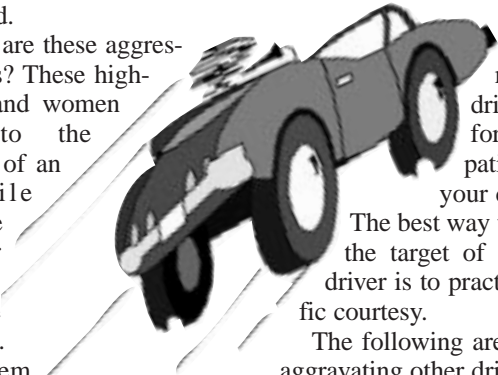
Use your horn to get someone's attention. This will usually discourage an aggressor. Don't get out of your car or go to your home.

Many otherwise peaceful motorists become enraged road warriors when they get behind the wheel.

If you're one of them, be advised that cars are not bullet proof, a truly aggressive driver will follow you home and that you've got to get out of the car eventually.

If you have a cellular phone and encounter a driver behaving in a threatening manner, changing lanes often, speeding, flashing lights, tailgating, etc., contact the Massachusetts State Police at *77 (*SP). You may prevent a tragedy.

Finally, if you are tempted to participate in a driving duel, ask yourself if it is worth being paralyzed or killed, or receiving a jail sentence? An impulsive action could ruin the rest of your life.



COLA, BAH increase for Hanscom

by Master Sgt. Daryl Mayer
ESC Public Affairs

Hanscom military members can expect to find a few more coins in their coffers thanks to several changes to pay and allowances that came into effect with the new year.

In addition to the across the board 4.8 percent increase to base pay, the basic allowance for housing and cost of living allowance also increase for people assigned to Hanscom.

The increase to base pay is the largest since the early 1980s and will work in concert with approved reforms in the pay table set for July 1. The new pay tables are at <http://www.dfas.mil/money/milpay/2000pay/jan2000.htm>.

If you are living on the economy and are receiving Base Allowance for Housing then the second pay increase is sure to help you.

The increase in the housing allowance is actually the culmination of a reform began in 1998. At that time the Department of Defense decided to combine the old Basic Allowance for Quarters and the Variable Housing Allowance into the current Basic Allowance for Housing, according to a Per Diem, Travel and Transportation Allowance Committee fact sheet. This transition was to give members more realistic allowances by basing them on objective market based information rather than using surveys as the old method did.

Initially this transition was intended to end in 2003. However when Congress appropriated \$225 million for BAH this year, the DoD was able to complete the transition this year. This lead to a very noticeable jump for Hanscom.

One of the key features of Basic

Allowance for Housing is rate protection which ensures that a member's allowance will never go down. If, for instance, you were receiving \$800 per month for Basic Allowance for Housing in 1999 and the 2000 rate for your installation went down to \$600, you would continue getting \$800. The only people who would get the lower rate would be anyone who arrived after the lower rate was in effect.

On the other hand, if the rate for your area goes up, everyone gets that increase. This is the case here because rates rose for all pay grades at Hanscom.

While Basic Allowance for Housing helps only those members who reside on the economy, everyone stationed at Hanscom receives the CONUS Cost of Living Allowance.

Designed to help compensate for a portion of excess costs for non-housing expenses, CONUS COLA is based on a variety of factors including the availability of a military hospital, local market prices and living pattern surveys, according to the committee's web site.

The specific rates for CONUS COLA are based on pay grade, time in service and dependent status. For instance a senior airman with two years time in service and who doesn't have any dependents receives a allowance of \$13.

While that rate hasn't changed from 1999, Hanscom's multiplier went from one to four this year. Basically this means that same senior airman who got \$13 last year will get \$52 this year. Because only the multiplier changed, you can determine your new CONUS COLA rate by multiplying the amount on your December Leave and Earnings Statement by four.



DFAS implements new program, expects faster finance processing

by Army Staff Sgt. Kathleen T. Rhem
American Forces Press Service

WASHINGTON — Military and Defense Department civilian employees and retirees will soon be able to make many routine changes to their official pay accounts whenever they want, by phone or via the World Wide Web.

The Defense Finance and Accounting Service is in the process of implementing the Employee and Member Self Service program. DFAS officials said the program will be available for some customers in February.

The officials said defense payroll customers using the around-the-clock Web and phone systems will be able to change their federal income tax withholding; start, stop or change allotments; change their correspondence address; and update information for their financial institution electronic fund transfers.

DFAS officials said the self-service program should improve the processing of pay changes by saving time and reducing the current paper trail. Now, customers may have to wait weeks for action because they must visit a finance customer service representative and submit written forms that have to be processed by a string of clerks.

"Employee and Member Self Service provides an alternative to completing and submitting forms and will provide reliable and accurate information," said Gloria Cranford-Bates, DFAS project officer. "Most importantly, E/MSS will be a fast, easy and secure way for customers to update payroll-related transactions at their convenience."

The system will allow customers to make changes nearly instantly on their own. Officials explained that no written confirmation will be received, but members can check changes by re-accessing the system in a week. Changes will also be annotated on the customer's next Leave and Earning Statement.

A personal identification number will control customer access. DFAS plans to mail letters to eligible customers with a temporary PIN they can customize the first time they use the system, officials said. The letter will also give customers the Web site address and the toll-free number to access the system.

The DFAS plan calls for E/MSS to become available in two phases. DFAS representative Cathy Ferguson said letters are being mailed to DOD retirees and surviving annuitants, Marines and civilian employees — the first group of people who will have system access. Soldiers, sailors and airmen will gain access a few months later.

Hanscom Calendar Year 00 housing rates

With dependents

O10 = 1763.00
O9 = 1763.00
O8 = 1763.00
O7 = 1763.00
O6 = 1743.00
O5 = 1728.00
O4 = 1623.00
O3E = 1540.00 (prior Enlisted)
O3 = 1470.00
O2E = 1458.00 (prior Enlisted)
O2 = 1257.00
O1E = 1355.00 (prior Enlisted)
O1 = 1036.00

E9 = 1514.00
E8 = 1422.00
E7 = 1338.00
E6 = 1263.00
E5 = 1007.00
E4 = 871.00
E3 = 785.00
E2 = 785.00
E1 > 4 = 785.00 (More than four months service)
E1 < 4 = 785.00 (Less than four months service)

Without dependents

O10 = 1503.00
O9 = 1503.00
O8 = 1503.00
O7 = 1503.00
O6 = 1474.00
O5 = 1397.00
O4 = 1346.00
O3E = 1263.00
O3 = 1171.00
O2E = 1119.00
O2 = 969.00
O1E = 1007.00
O1 = 785.00

E9 = 1137.00
E8 = 1057.00
E7 = 904.00
E6 = 800.00
E5 = 754.00
E4 = 690.00
E3 = 690.00
E2 = 690.00
E1 > 4 = 690.00
E1 < 4 = 690.00



photo by Tech. Sgt. Scott Lewis

ABC...easy as 123

David Lopilatto of Joint STARS(standing) and Diane Nekervis of AWACS begin testing the Activity Resource Tracking System. ARTS is the tool everyone in Hanscom's acquisition community will begin using this year to record activity data. The data will be used by managers and decision-makers to determine if the appropriate resources are focused on the efforts which bring value to Electronic Systems Center customers. The data collection and processing is referred to as Activity-Based Costing while the decisions made as a result of that data is Activity-Based Management.

Aerospace Expeditionary Force team alignment, rotation schedules on target

Washington — The Air Force continues the Expeditionary Aerospace Force transition by moving toward standard 90-day Aerospace Expeditionary Force rotations with this month's deployment of AEFs three and four.

Nearly three months into the AEF role, the service continues to align people, aircraft and equipment into 10 AEFs and two crisis response Aerospace Expeditionary Wings.

The EAF transition began Oct. 1 when AEFs one and two deployed in the first transitional step using a 60-day window. Their replacements, AEFs three and four, began the standard 90-day rotation schedule.

Despite AEF one and two's transition deployments, Air Force officials say they will be credited the same as a full rotation. "AEFs one and two are not scheduled to be tasked for another standard rotation for 15 months," said Lt. Col. David Aldrich, chief, EAF Implementation Division's Outreach Branch at Air Staff.

"The EAF will bring a level of stability and predictability the troops have not seen in the past," said Col. Ronald G. Oholendt, vice commander, 388th Wing at Hill Air Force Base, Utah, which is

aligned to AEF 1.

"Once an individual is assigned to an AEF, ideally they will not be tasked to deploy outside of their normal AEF rotation. This enables them to plan their lives around their AEF vulnerability periods," he said.

Col. Aldrich cautions, however, that rotation cycles pertain to steady-state deployments such as Operations Northern Watch and Southern Watch.

"There's a difference between a deployment and other TDYs [temporary duties]," he said. "A team member may fulfill their AEF rotation, and then be scheduled outside that three-month window for routine training TDYs, such as in-residence enlisted PME [professional military education], exercises or intra-command manning assistance."

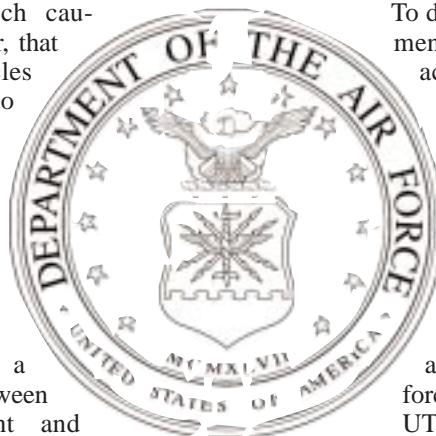
"That is how the AEF cycle recognizes the multitude of activities Air Force people are involved

with," Colonel Aldrich said. "There are deployments, which we can schedule better, and there are TDY demands. We have to remember that Air Force people are busy folks; AEF schedule predictability gives them much better stability in their lives."

To distribute deployment requirements across the total force, AEF identifies deployable people and assets by unit type code. This includes active duty, Air National Guard and Reserve forces.

UTCs present Air Force capabilities and are apportioned across the 10 AEFs, Aldrich said. AEFs offer the service another force management tool for handling tempo demands as the service enters the 21st century.

On an individual level, though, it remains somewhat unclear how different people will be affected. "In a severely under-manned career field, you might find yourself deployed once every 15 months for 90 days," he said.



Air Force awards contracts to produce six more F-22 Raptors

by **1st Lt. David Huxsoll**
Aeronautical Systems Center Public Affairs

Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio — The Air Force awarded contracts Dec. 30 totaling more than \$1.5 billion to Lockheed Martin Aeronautical Systems, Marietta, Ga., and Pratt & Whitney, West Palm Beach, Fla., to build six F-22 Raptor production-representative test vehicles.

The contract awards to the F-22's airframe manufacturer, Lockheed Martin, are valued at slightly more than \$1.3 billion. These follow an earlier \$195.5 million, advance buy contract to the company. A separate contract award of \$180 million to Pratt & Whitney will fund two F-119 engines for each of the six aircraft, for a total of 12 engines.

"We are confident that the F-22 is ready to move forward in the defense acquisition process," said Air Force Chief of Staff Gen. Michael E. Ryan. "These contracts put the F-22 program one step closer to its goal: a low-rate initial production decision by December 2000."

"During the past two years, the F-22 program, under the direction of Maj. Gen. Michael C. Mushala, has successfully met every acquisition milestone and achieved all

development criterion established by the Office of the Secretary of Defense and the program office," Ryan said. "Careful planning and execution by every member of the F-22 team—government, prime contractors, and suppliers—have helped this system pass every test with flying colors."

In a related effort today, the Air Force awarded the same two manufacturers separate, additional F-22 contracts totaling \$277.1 million, to support the Lot 1 Advance Buy of 10 production F-22s. Lockheed Martin will receive \$275.4 million, while Pratt & Whitney will receive \$1.7 million. According to program officials, these contracts will focus on activities preliminary to building actual aircraft, such as buying components, vendor start-up and other procurement costs.

The first of the F-22 aircraft is scheduled for delivery to the Air Force by March 2002 for force development evaluation activities at Nellis AFB, Nev.

The F-22 air superiority fighter is being developed to counter lethal threats posed by advanced, surface-to-air missile systems and next-generation fighters equipped with "launch-and-leave" missiles. Designed to replace the aging F-15, the aircraft will combine low-observable, advanced avionics and super-cruise technologies.

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F-22 Raptor

Volunteers visit veterans

Thirty-eight military and civilian volunteers treated 120 veterans to a buffet lunch during the Paul Revere Chapter of the Air Force Association's 9th annual Christmas celebration Dec. 15.

In a visit to the Veterans Community Care Center in Lowell, volunteers not only served a buffet but also took time to converse with veterans there.

"When you see veterans from World War II, Korea and Vietnam asking questions and talking with people in uniform today, it becomes abundantly clear that we will always be part of the same fraternity," said Dick Codling, the AFA project officer.

The center is an important part of the post military life for many veterans still in need of physical and emotional care, explained Joe Bisognano, chapter vice president. Veterans who live in assisted living facilities nearby are able to participate in daily activities, counseling and lunch programs.

"This [Christmas celebration] is a great example of the AFA and Hanscom working together for people who deserve all the help they can get," said Codling.

The annual Christmas celebration has become one of the most popular events at the center.

"We really appreciate what the Paul Revere Chapter does for us every year," said Don Nadeau, the center's director. "This Christmas luncheon is one of the most popular events of the year."

The veterans appreciated the food, but according to Bisognano, they appreciated the opportunity to interface with today's military even more.

"The group of officer, enlisted and civilian volunteers from Hanscom gave the veterans a wonderful Christmas gift ... their time and interest."

Submission address

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Dr. Martin Luther King Junior’s birthday Jan.15

Pastor, civil-rights leader, Nobel Peace Prize winner; holiday celebrates more than just the man

by Capt. Ronald E. Cleaves
Joint STARS

Any number of historic moments in the civil rights struggle have been used to identify Martin Luther King Jr. — prime mover of the Montgomery bus boycott (1956), keynote speaker at the March on Washington (1963), youngest Nobel Peace Prize laureate (1964).

But in retrospect, single events are less important than the fact that King, with his policy of nonviolent protest, was the dominant force in the civil rights movement during its decade of greatest achievement, from 1957 to 1968.

King was born Michael Luther King in Atlanta, Ga. Jan. 15, 1929 — one of the three children of Martin Luther King Sr., pastor of Ebenezer Baptist Church, and Alberta (Williams) King, a former schoolteacher. He did not receive the name of “Martin” until he was about six years of age.

Educated at Morehouse College, Crozier Theologi-

cal Seminary and Boston University, King became pastor of the Dexter Avenue Baptist Church in Montgomery, Ala., in 1954 and was chosen to lead the Montgomery bus boycott the following year.

As the success of the boycott brought him national prominence, he formulated a strategy of nonviolent activism that he articulated in his book *Stride toward Freedom* (1958).

In 1959, King moved to Atlanta to head the Southern Christian Leadership Conference and also became co-pastor of the Ebenezer Baptist Church with his father.

During the early 1960s, the younger King emerged as the foremost leader of the civil rights movement and a figure of international stature. In 1963, after leading a massive campaign against segregation in Birmingham, Ala., he delivered his historic “I Have a Dream” speech at the Lincoln Memorial in Washington D.C. He was Time magazine Man of the Year for 1963 and awarded the Nobel Peace Prize in 1964. Following up on the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Rev. King led civil rights campaigns in Selma, Ala., and St. Augustine, Fla., and led the dramatic march from Selma to Montgomery.

In 1966 he shifted his civil rights activities to the North, and the following year he denounced U.S. military activities in Vietnam.

In 1968, King was assassinated in Memphis, Tenn., where he had gone to support a strike by black sanitation workers.

Martin Luther King’s observed birthday, Jan. 17, is a national holiday, celebrated each year with educational programs, artistic displays and concerts throughout the United States. The Lorraine Motel, where he was shot, is now the National Civil Rights Museum.

“I have a dream that one day on the red hills of Georgia, sons of former slaves and the sons of former slaveowners will be able to sit down together at the table of brotherhood. I have a dream that my four little children will one day live in a nation where they will not be judged by the color of their skin, but by the content of their characterAnd when that happens, and when we allow free-



photo Howard Sochurek/LIFE

Martin Luther King Jr.

dom to ring, when we let it ring from every state and every city, we will be able to speed up that day when all God’s children, black men and white men, Jews and Gentiles, Protestants and Catholics, will be able to join hands and sing the words of that old Negro spiritual: “Free at last! Free at last! Thank God almighty, we are free at last!”

-- Rev. Martin Luther King Jr. in a speech during the March on Washington (Aug. 28, 1963)

MLK luncheon planned at O’club for Jan. 14

Hanscom will celebrate Martin Luther King’s birthday with a luncheon at the Officers’ Club on Jan. 14, from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Col. Darryl Scott, director of contracting, will be the keynote speaker.

The menu is New Orleans Bourbon Street chicken and cost is \$10. Tickets are on sale through Monday.

For information call Master Sgt. Essie Rash at 3-3407, Senior Airman Terri Watkins at 3-8403 or Airman 1st Class Tineaka Lollar at 271-6179 for tickets.

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numbers)**

Leadership school continues producing future Air Force leaders

by **Staff Sgt. Dawn Daniels**
Airman Leadership School

In case the word hasn’t filtered throughout the entire Hanscom community yet, the Airman Leadership School is going to remain open. Hanscom’s Airman Leadership School will become a regional school effective this month. The Massachusetts Air National Guard will be incorporated into the school’s staff, providing one or more instructors.

This means that future classes will be comprised of active-duty, Guard and Reserve members making for a more diverse atmosphere and bringing the total force concept into the forefront.

In the first graduation for fiscal year 2000, ALS Class 00A graduated 11 students in a ceremony held at the Patriot Enlisted club. Retired Chief Master Sgt. Robert E. Jacques, executive services consultant, 66th Air Base Wing, was the guest speaker. The philosophy of Hanscom’s Airman Leadership School is to educate and train the students by expanding their perspective of the military. The school seeks to encourage students to realize the nature of supervisory tasks as well as to understand that they are not perfect. Once they have realized this, they will be more compassionate and understanding supervisors. Senior Airman Stephen G.

Cooney II, 66th Air Base Wing, was named the John L. Levitow award winner of Class 00A. The Levitow award is given to the student who exemplifies outstanding academic achievement, demonstrates leadership abilities, and maintains outstanding military bearing, behavior and conduct. The class leader Senior Airman Crystal L. Foster, 313th Recruiting Squadron, was the Academic Achievement winner. Academic Achievers earn the award based on academic performance on examinations, written assignments and speeches. Foster also received the honors certificate. Senior Airman Jeffrey J. Crawn, 66th Security Forces Squadron, was the Leadership

Award recipient. The Leadership award is presented to the student who exhibits the most professional military characteristics. This student set the standard for the class in all uniform inspections, consistently exhibited leadership characteristics and displayed all the qualities of a military professional. This award recognizes the student possessing the qualities needed for the success of tomorrow’s Air Force. The command chief master for Electronic Systems Center, Chief Master Sgt. Frank Holmes presented a member of class 00A with an award that was given for the first time in Hanscom’s Airman Leadership School history. The award was given to a student who surpassed all standards for dress and appearance. This student completed all eight inspections without a uniform discrepancy. Being the first ever recipient of this award, Crawn was honored by having this new award named for him. Other graduates included: Michael W. Amtower and Michael L. Fuentes, 6th Space Warning Squadron, Sagamore, Mass.; Brian E. Brantley; Charlie Flores and Wanda A. Nicholls, 20th Air Support Operations Squadron, Fort Drum, N.Y.; Naomi O. Bullock and Kathie N. Corbin, 66th Medical Operations Squadron; Sherida K. McKenzie, 66th Logistics Squadron.

Unit patches wanted

Patches not only display symbols of their units missions but are also a great source of military art. Many units collect and display patches from around the world. Today the Air Force Research Laboratory is looking for help in putting together its own display. The lab is looking for any command, unit, mission, career, or other military related patches. If interested in donating or swapping patches contact Tech. Sgt. Joseph Arsenault at 3-4824 or mail them to AFRL/VSOSR, Attn: Tech. Sgt. Joseph Arsenault, 29 Randolph Road., Hanscom AFB, Mass. 01731-3010. If possible include a note explaining the location and facts about each patch. Any help will be greatly appreciated and will provide AFRL members a greater display of this type of military art.

Anthrax vaccinations on track

by Senior Airman A.J. Bosker

Headquarters, United States Air Force

Washington - Phase one of the Air Force's anthrax vaccination program, which uses the current supply of Food and Drug Administration certified vaccine, is still on track.

According to Col. Harvey R. Crowder, chief of the Air Force Medical Operations Agency's Prevention Division, the vaccine manufacturer's production facility not achieving FDA certification should only affect phase two and three of the vaccination program.

Phase One directs the vaccination of those who are in, or transiting, high-threat areas such as the Persian Gulf or Korea. Phase Two requires early deploying troops to high-threat areas to receive the vaccinations. Phase Three calls for the vaccination of all other active duty and reserve forces.

"There is an adequate supply of the vaccine, approximately one million doses, to continue the current rate of vaccination - about 75,000 doses per month - until

February 2001," said Crowder. "And we continue to work with the FDA to verify the quality of our vaccine supply.

"Of the current supply, 400,000 doses have received FDA approval and are ready to be shipped while the other 600,000 are in the approval process and should be ready in three to five months."

The certification of Bioport's production facility is not a pass or fail inspection — rather it identifies areas that require further improvement to bring them into compliance with FDA requirements and industrial standards said Crowder.

"This is not totally unexpected considering that Bioport took a production line originally designed to supply a steady — but small — niche market, and is renovating their facilities to produce vaccine on a much larger scale," Crowder said.

"As you can imagine, with an expansion of this size it will take some time to meet all FDA requirements, but the expectation is that certification could be achieved between six to 12 months."

Air Force implements Frame of Choice program

by Maj. (Dr.) Daniel Reiser

Optometry Clinic

In a program started Jan. 1, all Air Force active duty, reserve and guard personnel will be given a greater choice of eyeglass frames.

People will be allowed to order one frame of choice in addition to the standard military eyeglasses yearly.

This greater choice in eyeglass frames is intended to improve use of the military provided eyeglasses.

The frame of choice offers people six alternative frame styles in various colors.

Anyone ordering a frame of choice must go to the Optometry Clinic with their medical records to ensure proper documentation.

Anyone who loses or damages their frame of choice will not be eligible for a replacement until one year from the initial order date. Requests for replacement glasses prior to one year will be filled using appropriate standard issue frames.

The implementation of this program has been set up by grade.

If a patient's prescription is equal to or less than one year old, active duty patients may bring their prescription to the Optometry Clinic and order a frame of choice during the dates listed:

- ❑ Airman basic through senior airman, Jan. 1 to Feb. 29
- ❑ Airman basic through chief master sergeant, March 1 and April 30
- ❑ Airman basic through captain, May 1 to June 30
- ❑ Airman basic through general, from July on

During this time the clinic hours will be 8:30 to 10:30 a.m. and 1 to 3 p.m. Monday through Friday.

If a patient's prescription is greater than one year old, call TRICARE at 1-888-999-5195 to schedule a routine optometry appointment.

Individuals scheduled for an eye exam who've not been seen within the last year may order a frame of choice after their appointment regardless of rank.

Anyone scheduled for a routine optometry exam are asked to arrive at the clinic 15 minutes prior to their appointed time.

Patients will be asked to select their frame of choice and fill out the appropriate paperwork if they wear glasses. This will help the clinic expedite their order.

Using this system will help the optical fabrication laboratories keep up with the Air Force demand for the new frame of choice. Presently, only Air Force, Navy, Marine Corps, Coast Guard and the United States Public Health Service are eligible in the continental United States.

Questions concerning this program can be directed to Senior Airman Randall Smith at 3-4030.



photo by Airman 1st Class Theresa Ide

Displayed here from left to right are the new and old frames.



An E3 AWACS taxis down the runway.

courtesy photo

AWACS (from page 1)

According to Lt. Col. John Vanderwall, director of United Kingdom and French AWACS programs in the AWACS program office, the completion of the third aircraft means the United Kingdom met its commitment to have three RSIP-upgraded AWACS aircraft available to support NATO before Dec. 31.

“The new system is brilliant!” said Royal Air Force Sgt. Pete Burt, an AWACS crew member. “It’s really user friendly — it definitely improves the way we work.”

According to Squadron Leader Nigel Bradshaw, Sentry Maintenance Squadron commander, the Royal Air Force has already committed one of its RSIP-improved aircraft to January operations over Kosovo.

RSIP upgrades to all seven of the

United Kingdom’s E-3D Sentry AWACS aircraft are scheduled to be complete by February 2001, said Misuinas.

“RSIP and AWACS are part of ESC’s overall vision to put out the most modern, most capable command and control systems better, faster and cheaper,” said Col. Brad Butler, director of the AWACS program office. “In the long term, we envision AWACS remaining a critical C2ISR platform until at least 2035. To keep the AWACS viable will require ongoing modernization and sustainment efforts, which is where RSIP and GINS come in.”

“RSIP is an outstanding example of allied cooperation,” said Butler.

The United States developed RSIP to upgrade its AWACS fleet, said Misuinas. NATO and the other AWACS-operating allies recognized

the value of RSIP and approached us to upgrade their own fleets.

In addition to the United States and the United Kingdom, France, and Saudi Arabia operate various versions of the E-3. Japan operates the newest AWACS aircraft type, the E-767.

“There has always been a lot of cooperation among the international partners in the AWACS family,” said Misuinas. “We have formed an International Coordination Working Group to leverage the needs and interests of all AWACS-operating allies to improve capabilities and decrease costs.”

Butler, Misuinas and Vanderwall represented ESC at the NATO ceremony. Butler, Vanderwall, and 1st Lt. David L. Englin, a public affairs officer with the ESC Office of Public Affairs, represented ESC at the Royal Air Force Ceremony.

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information for all
your concert and
entertainment
events, call Tickets
and Tours at
3-3262.***

AFAF Campaign to begin

Randolph AFB, Texas - The annual Air Force Assistance Fund campaign runs Feb. 28 through March 31.

The theme is Commitment to Caring.

Installation project officers, appointed by the commander, will conduct the campaign for all personnel serviced by the installation military personnel

flight including tenant and geographically separated units.

The 2000 AFAF campaign brochures, posters and contributor forms will be shipped by Jan. 15.

For information on AFAF, check out its website at www.afpc.randolph.af.mil/votefund then click on "Fundraising."

Awards (from page1)

explained Russell.

"I was really excited to find out that we won this award two years in a row," said Master Sgt. David McElwain, ESC ground safety manager. "I always knew we had an award winning team."

He credits the base for the success of the Safety Office.

"The real credit goes out to all

the organizations," said McElwain. "Without their safety consciousness and proactive efforts we never could have achieved the level of success that we have."

According to Russell, 1999 was one of the best years ever for mishap prevention throughout the command.

"We realized that it took the efforts

of all our people, commanders, managers, supervisors and workers to achieve this success," he said.

The new year also brings with it greater challenges, said McElwain.

"We must meet these challenges head-on, stressing the essence of safety which will ensure our continued success," McElwain said.

For all your automotive needs call the Auto hobby Shop at 3-2612, or stop in Tuesday through Fridays from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. and Saturday from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.

What's Happening

Hanscom Lanes

Enjoy Family Bowling every Saturday for \$7 per lane from 3 to 5 p.m. or 5:15 to 7:15 p.m. King and Queen of the Hill Tournaments are Jan. 15 and 29 at 7:30 p.m.

For information, call the Bowling Center at 3-2237.

Daycare openings for preschoolers

The Child Development Center has openings for children ages three to five for the full-day and part-day care.

Call 3-7166 for enrollment and eligibility information.

Youth Center news

"Family Fun Saturdays" from 1 to 3 p.m. are free.

Family members can enjoy basketball, ping pong, foosball and board games.

Teen Dart League for ages 13 and up is available. Sign up for singles and doubles.

Teen intramural hockey league every Tuesday and Thursday from 6 to 7:30 p.m.

Wednesday night is tournament night from 6 to 7 p.m.

Call the Youth Center at 3-3739 for information on these and other programs.

Fitness and Sports Center news

Start the Millennium with a Fitness Challenge.

This is open to all base personnel who have completed a fitness assessment by the staff during the past year. Just retest and if you achieve all your initial fitness goals, you will receive a Fitness Challenge Millennium T-shirt.

Testing will begin on Jan. 18. Appointments are available Tuesday and Thursday at 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Fitness Awareness Week is Monday to Jan. 14. Join us in the aerobic room and step into shape.

Various classes will be held from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. including a heart rate monitor class, kickboxing techniques, step jam, H.E.A.T. muscle conditioning and more.

Base Pool

The pool is open for adult lap swim from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., Monday through Friday and open swim from 4 to 7 p.m. and Saturdays from noon to 6 p.m. for open swim, daily, monthly and seasonal pool memberships are available.

A free water safety class is scheduled for Jan. 21 at 5 p.m.

Format is classroom instruction, no swim suit required.

For information call the pool at 3-2455.

Aero Club

The next Flight Ground School begins Jan. 18. Classes are held Tuesdays from 6 to 9 p.m. Cost is \$140 for the course and \$125 for the Private Pilot Kit.

For information call the Aero Club at 3-5160.

Tickets and Tours

The ITT office, located in Bldg. 1530, has tickets available for Bruins and Celtics games.

Dates and times vary.

Call 3-3262 for information.

Family ski extravaganza is Jan. 29

by J.C. Corcoran
Services Marketing

Two of Services facilities are combining their efforts to bring to the Hanscom family community a fun filled day on the slopes of New Hampshire. Outdoor Recreation and Youth Programs are inviting those who love to ski, as well as those who would like to learn, to join them on Saturday, Jan. 29 for a "family" ski event.

It's off to Ragged Mountain in the beautiful hills of New Hampshire. Price for the day includes ski rentals, lift tickets and of course round-trip transportation. The cost: adults - \$35.00, teens (ages 13 to 18) - \$31 and Youth (ages six to 12) - \$24. Bring some snacks along for the trip up and for on the way home. You can either pack a lunch or purchase food at the lodge.

Don't get trapped in that "back-yard" syndrome. Just because there is no snow on the ground here, doesn't mean there's no snow up North. Ski resorts have been busy with their snow machines, day and night, and reports indicate the skiing is just fine.

For those who have never skied but would like to learn, there is no better time. Join us and for the same price you can get in on our

"learn to" package and come home a skier.

This is a great time for parents to enjoy some individual time on the slopes while their children receive instruction from qualified ski instructors in a fun and safe environment.

So what are you waiting for? It's the ideal trip. You don't have to worry about driving up and you can relax, after a full day on the slopes, on the way home. Be you an expert, mildly proficient or just a beginner, now is the time to get away and enjoy the hills of New Hampshire and this fun filled sport.

For information or to reserve your seat, contact Outdoor Recreation at 3-5316 today.



"Professional Bull Riders"
Jan. 8

"Grease On Ice"
Jan. 12

Worcester Centrum

"Sunset Blvd"

Jan. 16, 2. pm.

Wang Center

"Joseph and His Amazing Technicolor Dream Coat"

Jan. 16, 1 p.m.

Colonial Theatre

Taj Mahal Casino & Resort

Jan. 23 to 25

Upcoming trips in 2000 include Italy, March 6; Canadian Rockies Train Tour, July 30; New Orleans five day getaway, Oct. 2 and Arizona deserts, canyons and casinos, Nov. 3.

Visit for 2000 entertainment books, Disney tickets, movie and museum passes, post cards, books, gift items, calling cards and more.



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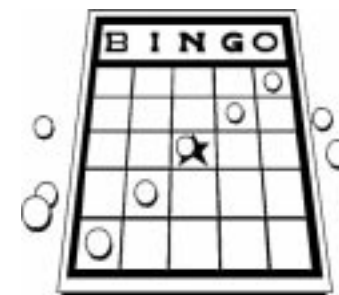
Jan. 8 and 15

Reservations are required.

Call 3-2237

BINGO Anyone?

If you enjoy the excitement, fast pace and rewards of bingo, then join us at the Patriot Enlisted Club on Wednesday nights for 18 games. It is open to all ranks and bonafide guests. Doors open at 5:30 p.m. and regular games begin at 6:30 p.m. Join us for Friday night Bar Bingo starting at 6:30 p.m. Guests are charged a \$3 seating fee.



Slim and Trim 2000

It's our second Annual Slim and Trim Contest and you could be a winner in more ways than one.

Contest starts Jan. 10. The goal is to lose the most inches over a 10-week period.

Registration is \$15 and separate awards (male and female) will be made based on a percentage of the entry fees received.

1st Place - 60 percent

2nd Place - 25 percent

3rd Place - 15 percent

Measurements are taken of the waist, hips and right thigh for women. Chest and abdomen are measured for men. Measurements will be taken Jan. 10 through 14 between 10 and 10:30 a.m. or 4 and 4:30 p.m.

If necessary, appointments can be made by calling 3-3639 for information.



Sunday "Champagne Brunch" at the Officers' Club



Jan. 30

10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Eggs, omelets, cooked to order,
carved beef or ham and champagne.

Chicken nuggets for the kids.

Adults \$10.95; children 6 to 12, \$5; children five
and under are free

Club members receive discount!

Today**International Test and Evaluation Association luncheon**

All are invited to join a group of test and evaluation professionals for a lunchtime meeting of the New England Chapter of the International Test and Evaluation Association.

It will begin at 11:30 a.m., Tuesday in the Pub of the Hanscom Officers' Club. This is an opportunity to network with other professionals from industry and government and to keep up with the latest developments in the discipline of test and evaluation. A guest speaker will give a talk on a topic related to the DoD mission and test and evaluation.

You do not have to be an ITEA member to attend. If you find the meetings beneficial or want to really enter test and evaluation paradise, we will have membership applications available.

You do not have to pay anything just to come and enjoy the fellowship and information. For those who would like to eat, a salad bar is available for light appetites and a hot food line offers a variety of choices for a full meal.

To make reservations, contact Kathy Melton at 942-2000 ext. 2471, or email kmelton@tasc.com by today.

Monday**Martin Luther King luncheon**

The African-American Heritage committee will be hosting the annual Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King luncheon Jan. 14, from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Officers' Club.

The keynote speaker is Col. Darryl Scott, AFMC Director of Contracting.

Menu will be New Orleans Bourbon Street Chicken and the cost is \$10.

Tickets are on sale until Monday.

For tickets or additional information, contact Capt. Ronald Cleaves at 3-7838.

Upcoming and weeklies**Retirement ceremony**

Lt. Col. Philip D. Roberts, division chief of the Advanced Satellite Communications Terminals Division, is retiring after 20 years in the Air Force.

Roberts' formal retirement ceremony will begin at 2 p.m., Jan. 19 in the Officers' Club Ballroom with food and drink to follow in the Pub.

All are welcome. For information or reservations, contact Capt. Kevin Loucks at 271-5620.

Changes to temporary living expense

Effective Oct. 5, 1999, TLE is now

payable for enlisted members reporting to their permanent duty station from their home of record or initial technical school.

A member may split days among state-side home of record or initial technical school, designated place state-side and state-side permanent duty station; if first permanent duty station is overseas, a member may split days between state-side home of record or initial technical school and designated place state-side.

Leaders Encouraging Airman Development Program

Leaders Encouraging Airman Development Program delegates authority to unit and wing commanders to nominate highly qualified airmen to attend the Air Force Academy Prep School with the intention of an academy appointment to follow. Commanders have the opportunity to identify outstanding and deserving airmen with officer potential for this commissioning program. Fifty slots are reserved at the prep school for airmen who meet entry criteria. Applications must reach the Air Force Academy Admissions Office no later than Jan. 31.

Airmen must be U.S. citizens or be able to obtain citizenship before entry into the academy the following year, be unmarried and have no dependents, must not have passed their 22 birthday by July 1 of the entry year, and be of high moral character. Interested individuals should schedule an appointment with an education counselor to determine eligibility.

Education Services may be reached at 3-3120.

American Red Cross volunteers

The following volunteer opportunities are currently being offered at the American Red Cross of Newton Office:

- ☐ Office volunteers
- ☐ Community representatives
- ☐ CPR and first aid instructors

Volunteering for the American Red Cross provides an invaluable life experience and a sense of fulfillment only achieved by helping others. Begin making a difference today by contacting your local American Red Cross.

For information call, Teah Bayless, program

manager, at (617) 527-6000.

Non-appropriated job openings.

Looking for that extra cash? The Human Resource Office of the 66th Services has positions available in the following non appropriated fund areas: child care (Child Development Center), accounting technician and the Veterinary Clinic.

For information contact the Human Resource Office at 3-4611, or fax resume to 3-7899.

High Year of Tenure extension program

The new fiscal year 2000 and fiscal year 2001 High Year of Tenure Extension Program continues. All Air Force specialties are eligible with certain grade restrictions in each of those specialties.

To see if you are eligible to apply for this retention program, call 3-3062 or 3-4979 or stop by the Military Personnel Flight Retirements and Separations office for an application.

Volunteers needed

One of Family Services' most popular services is the Stripes program.

This all-volunteer initiative helps airman basic through staff sergeant (and the initial pin-on of tech sergeant) by sewing rank and patches on uniforms for free.

This program saves airmen about \$2.50 per item sewn, and resulted in a savings for Hanscom airmen of \$2,190 last year.

Volunteer are needed to keep this program alive. Volunteers sew about one half to two hours each week, depending upon the number of uniforms received.

To support this program or for information, call 3-3436 or 3-4222.

Hazardous waste turn-in

Household hazardous waste turn-in is at Bldg. 1820, Dow Street, in the 66th Civil Engineer Squadron complex from 8 to 9 a.m. every Tuesday.

This turn-in is available for both on-base residents and base organizations.

For information contact Robert Spelfogel at 3-8207.

Sign language volunteers

There are several hearing impaired employees at Hanscom who are in need of interpretive services.

Volunteers who are familiar with sign language are asked to help these employees at meetings, conferences and official functions.

Even a short amount of time can make a significant difference to the hearing impaired on the base. Experience with American Sign Language, signed English and finger spelling would be helpful.

For information, call Laurie Cunningham at 3-4054, or Andrew Hodyke at 3-8473.

Volunteer positions available

Put your expertise to work and make a difference in someone's life. You might even develop new skills.

Either way, you'll certainly improve your community and make new friends.

And, we'll help you by offering free child care and flexible hours for volunteering at Family Services.

"Worker-bee" and leadership positions are available in the areas of office, lending locker, Attic, brochures, welcoming, Stripes, layette and special projects.

If you enjoy a challenge and want to be part of a winning team, call Jacqi Thomas at 3-4222.

Colonial**Theater**

Friday 7:30 p.m. -- FIGHT CLUB - A confused young man frequents cancer and disease support groups as a way to bond with others. He pretends to be terminally ill or feigning various other infirmities to fit in. Sick of his dead end career and disgusted with the empty consumer culture that his generation has been doomed to inherit, he and a friend named Tyler create a new club where young men come to relieve their frustrations by beating each other to a pulp. **R** (disturbing and graphic depiction of violent anti-social behavior, sexuality and language) **139 min** Starring: **Brad Pitt, Edward Norton**



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Saturday 7:30 p.m. -- AMERICAN BEAUTY - Lester and Carolyn Burnham are on the outside, a perfect husband and wife, in a perfect house, in a perfect neighborhood. But inside, Lester is slipping deeper and deeper into a hopeless depression. He finally snaps when he becomes infatuated with one of his daughter's friends. **R** (strong sexuality, language, violence and drug content) **118 min** Starring: **Kevin Spacey, Annette Bening**

Admission is \$3 for adults and \$1.50 for children. Schedule is subject to change without notice. Call 3-7940 for movie information.

Hanscom School Menu

Monday	Tuesday	Thursday	Friday
Meatball sub with meat sauce, parmesan cheese, dinner roll, green beans, fruit	Hot dog on a bun, corn chips, Boston baked beans, fruit	Tacos, steamy rice, fruit	Cheese pizza or fish patty on a roll, veggie sticks with dip, fruit cup

Fitness enhancement

❑ **Back safety** class will be held at the HAWC Tuesday from 9 to 10 a.m.

Learn to build a stronger, flexible, fit back, and how to prevent straining your back.

Call 3-6560 to register.

❑ **Carpal tunnel syndrome prevention class** will be held at the HAWC Tuesday from 11 a.m. to noon.

Carpal tunnel syndrome is a health hazard afflicting many office workers today. If you work on a computer and are concerned about injuring your wrists, come to the carpal tunnel syndrome prevention class.

Call 3-6560 to register.

❑ **“Healthy eating for healthy weight”** (video – 10 minutes) will be held at the HAWC Wednesday starting at noon. Learn why quick-fix diets don’t work, the skills to master the diet cycle and making nutritionally sound weight management a long-term way of life.

Registration is not necessary.

Work and life

❑ **Sponsor training** will be held at the Family Support Center Tuesday from 8 to 9 a.m.

Learn what to expect, what is expected of you and what base resources you can use to ensure our incoming service personnel and families have a smooth move to Hanscom.

This class is a prerequisite for all sponsors.

Call 3-4222 to register.

❑ **College financial aid planning class** will be held at the Family Support Center Tuesday from 5:30 to 8 p.m. Learn how to navigate through the complex college financial aid process. We’ll also teach you how to access free scholarship resources on the web and in our Scholarship Resource Network database.

Call 3-4222 to register.

❑ **Inbound relocation seminar** will be held at the Family Support Center Friday from 9 to 10 a.m. Receive your official introduction to Hanscom’s settling in services for new arrivals: local community information, spouse employment, volunteer opportunities, home finding and budgeting.

Education Center, Bldg. 1728, 3-2021

❑ **The Education Office testing policy** requires students to arrive on time for scheduled test sessions.

It is the student’s responsibility to report on time and our responsibility to ensure the students in the room are not disturbed by interruptions.

Late arrivals will not be allowed to enter the test room. All students taking exams should arrive at least 15 minutes before test time. Doors will close at 8 a.m. for the morning session and again at 12:30 p.m. for the afternoon session.

For information call Education Services at 3-3120.

Civil Engineering

❑ **The base recycling program contractor** will pick up hamper bins or carts Wednesdays from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Bins must be consolidated in one location. The building manager must call the recycling office at 3-4272. Leave the building number and location of the carts on the message.

Deadlines are Tuesdays at noon. Messages left after noon Tuesdays will be sent to the contractor for pickup the next week.

Air Force Sergeants Association

❑ The Air Force Sergeants Association is a powerful organization of enlisted people like you fighting for your needs such as tuition assistance, educational funding, dorm privacy, better retirement system, pay and COLA you can live with.

If you are enlisted, this is the one to belong to. At over 150,000 strong, AFSA is the recognized “Voice of the Enlisted” on Capital Hill.

AFSA Chapter 161 at Hanscom is gearing up for a new year full of opportunities, professional growth and camaraderie.

Come join us at our next meeting Jan. 13 from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the Enlisted Club.

For information contact Senior Master Sgt. Karl van Biene at 3-6940

Patriot Enlisted Association

❑ The PEA is an open forum for all technical sergeant’s and below to discuss our issues as peers.

The PEA builds teamwork, camaraderie and together can make a difference in the community.

The PEA also serves as the junior enlisted’s voice to the ESC command chief on topics such as dorms, community involvement and quality of life matters.

Monthly meetings are held the third Friday of each month at 3:30 p.m. in the Enlisted Club.

For information contact Airman 1st Class Amy-Lyn Charron at 3-1112.

Patriot Senior NCO Association

❑ The association is a professional membership association for senior noncommissioned officers, active duty and retired.

The group actively supports the men and women of Hanscom and the surrounding communities. The Top Three also serves as a base network for problem solving and encourages comradeship.

Meetings are held the last Tuesday of every month at the Enlisted Club.

For information call Master Sgt. Darryl Lindgens, 3-3459.

Company Grade Officers’ Council

❑ The council is open to all company grade officers of all services for the purpose of maintaining a forum for junior officers to serve the Hanscom community, identify and voice concerns, provide a social outlet and develop an esprit de corps among the members.

The council also sponsors Crud every Friday night at the Officers’ Club Crud Room in the Powder Keg Pub.

Crud starts around 5:30 p.m. and all new and experienced players are welcome.

For information on Crud contact Capt. Mark Connell, 3-1777.

The council is also looking for someone to provide some organization for clinics, tournaments, etc.

For details and information visit the CenterNet web-site at <http://esc.hanscom.af.mil/cgoc/orgCGOC.htm>, or if you don’t have access to the CenterNet, you can visit our web site at <http://www.hanscom.af.mil/CGOC>.

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For information contact the council president, 2nd Lt. Jeremy Miller, 3-1668.

Officers’ Wives’ Club

❑ The **Officers’ Wives’ Club** invites those eligible officers’ spouses to become members.

This club hosts a monthly meeting for social and service purposes. In addition, numerous activity groups are offered to members such as bridge, bowling, bunco, mah-jong and book and garden clubs.

Consider a membership in this club and experience the many benefits it has to offer.

For membership information call Kendra Ellmyer at 274-7489.

For activities information call Lisa O’ Neill at (978) 244-0448.

Enlisted Wives’ Club

❑ The Enlisted Wives’ Club invites all spouses of active duty and retired enlisted personnel, as well as all enlisted personnel, to attend the monthly membership meeting, the first Monday of every month at 7 p.m. at the Patriot Enlisted Club. The club is a diverse group of people sharing community activities and social events.

For information contact Amanda Anderson, president at 274-0697 or Lois LeFleur, vice president at 274-8110.

Boy Scouts

❑ The Boy Scout program offers boys age 11 to 18 the promise of adventure, friendship, learning, challenge and responsibility.

To make this a reality, the community needs adult leaders, civilian, active-duty and retired military to maintain a viable program.

The efforts of volunteer leaders have made a difference and they have had fun with the scouts.

Anyone interested in volunteering as a scoutmaster, troop committee member or working with the boys in any other capacity should contact Scoutmaster Dorrie Bartels at 641-3675 or Troop Committee Chairman Walter Avila at 274-0372 or 3-8958.



Chapel, Bldg. 1603, 3-3538

❑ **Catholic Masses:** Saturdays at 5 p.m., Sundays at 7:30 and 11 a.m. and weekdays at 12:05 p.m.

❑ **Protestant worship:** general Protestant Service — Sundays at 9 a.m.; Gospel Service — Sundays at 12:30 p.m.

❑ **Jewish services:** the first and third Friday of the month from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

❑ **Eastern Orthodox:** for information contact Tech. Sgt. James M. Boubonis at 274-8714.

❑ **For information** on Chapel services, call 3-3538 or 3-3539.

People’s Corner

66th Logistics Squadron

Happy birthday to **Paul Davis, Anthony Caraglia, Staff Sgt. Troy Perrydore, Senior Airman Jeffrey Rivera, John Goldson, Thomas Kelleher, Tech. Sgt. Robert Fleming and Staff Sgt. Lenore Beloin.**

Congratulations to our quarterly award winners **Senior Airman Jennifer Keiber and Vicki Bauer.**

Congratulations to Vickie Bauer on her promotion to chief of Management and Systems Flight.

Congratulation to **Staff Sgt. Jason Whelan** on his recent promotion.